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## CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.6(d):

The undersigned hereby certifies that this correspondence is being transmitted via facsimile to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on August 20, 2004.

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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed April 22, 2004, said period of response being extended from July 22, 2004 to August 22, 2004.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. in the amount of \$55.00 to cover the required extension fee for a small entity.

> Respectfully submitted, MERCHANT & GOULD P.C. P.O. Box 2903 Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402-0903 (612) 332-5300

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